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The President
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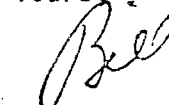
Dear Mr. President,

You will be going down to Williamsburg to speak at the Yorktown Celebration in October. I thought you might be interested in the final chapter of this book of mine which relates how Washington brought Rochambeau's French troops down through Connecticut to feint at British-occupied New York, kept feinting as he moved American and French forces down through New Jersey, brought Rochambeau for a visit to Mount Vernon and then teamed up with de Grasse's French fleet at the Chesapeake to defeat Cornwallis at Yorktown. The preliminaries brought together a great cast of characters - Benedict Arnold commanding a British force, fighting Lafayette commanding an American force, the German General Steuben whipping the American side of the Franco-American combination into shape, etc.

I did this story of the American Revolution to celebrate the Bicentennial of the beginning of the war in 1776 and now five years later we have the bicentennial of the victory. On Labor Day weekend, I'll be cruising Massachusetts and Long Island waters and I may find a spare hour or so to bring together the earlier French contributions to our Revolution which made France our oldest ally. If I do, I'll send it along.

It will be nice to have you back in town.

Yours,



William J. Casey

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Orig w/Attachment to WH Sit Room for The President

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